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**ODEON HALL, SATURDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 6**

**A THRILLING TALE OF THE RIO GRANDE**

Miss Hodgson is spending her vacation at her home in Bethel.

Mr. J. H. Hovine was in Augusta, Maine, to attend the meeting of the G. O. E. society.

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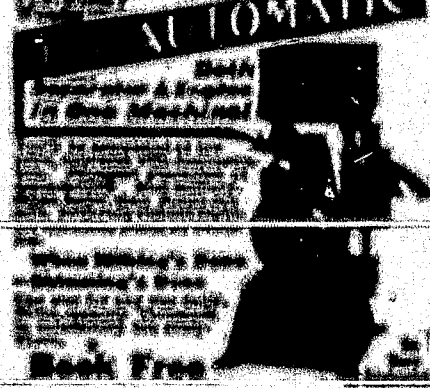
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## BETHEL AND VICINITY.

Marion Allen is spending a few days at East Bethel.

Mr. Sidney Howe spent last Sunday with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Bean are at their home for a week.

Mr. Charles Poole of Oxford was in town the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dargis of Boston are guests at Mr. T. H. Darrell's.

Mrs. Josie Mason of Massachusetts visited Mrs. Ira Jordan, Sunday.

Vivian Wight visited relatives at Milan, N. H., a few days last week.

Miss Ruby Smith went to Lewiston, Monday, to attend the State Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cole spent Sunday at Portland and Old Orchard.

Mrs. Willey has gone to Boston to attend the Fall millinery openings.

Miss Ole Hutchins of New York is visiting friends and relatives in town.

Percy Taylor has been doing table work at the Bethel Inn for a few days.

Miss Grace Dixon of Augusta is spending a few days with Mrs. L. T. Barker.

Dr. M. V. Brown of Dorchester, Mass., is visiting his brother, Dr. E. L. Brown.

Mrs. Paul Thornton was the guest of Miss Harriet Merrill a few days last week.

Misses Margaret and Blanche Herick visited relatives at Locke's Mills last week.

Walter Vail and son, Guy, from Watford, visited his brother, Lee Vail, Saturday night.

Mrs. Ned Carter and children, accompanied Mr. Carter to their home in Lisbon, Saturday.

Misses Grace and Margaret Farwell will return to their school at Keene, N. H., Saturday.

The Festival Chorus rehearsal will meet with Mrs. F. L. Edwards, Thursday evening, at 7:30.

Harris Hamlin of Milan, N. H., was the guest of his cousin, Winfield Howe, a few days last week.

Mrs. John Swan and daughter, Sylvia, visited relatives at Berlin, N. H., Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Edward Upen accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Carter, to Lisbon, to remain a short time.

Rev. W. C. Curtis attended the funeral of Mrs. Anna Flint of Albany, Tuesday afternoon, September 2.

Master Dean came from Portland, Monday, to spend his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Bean.

Mrs. J. M. Philbrick returned home Sunday after spending a few weeks with her daughter in Portland.

Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Mansfield and daughter, Marion, are spending a few weeks at their old home in Jonesport.

Rev. Fred Emerson, who is spending his vacation at West Bethel, and Miss Grace Farwell, was in town Friday.

Mrs. L. B. Edwards and son, Sumner, arrived Friday to spend the month of September at their home on Broad street.

Misses Muriel and Margaret Herick have returned from New Haven where they have been spending a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Hanson and family have returned home after spending the summer at Mechanic Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Leighton, James Merrill and Ella Tustin of Malden, Mass., are visiting Mrs. Ernest Chase.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland West of Fairbush, N. H., came to Bethel by train Sunday.

Mrs. Isaac Thornton, and son, Gus, returned to Bethel with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Wheeler, who have been visiting in the city of New York, returned to their home in Bethel, Sunday.

Mr. Paul Thornton was in Boston on business last week.

Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis are visiting relatives in Auburn.

Miss Alice Kimball visited relatives in Sumner last week.

Mr. Dave Forbes is enjoying a vacation from the Citizen Office.

Mr. Philip Smith of Readfield was in town the first of the week.

Miss Ada Farwell left for her home in Auburn, Indiana, Saturday.

Walter Bond from New York visited at Mrs. Fred Taylor's, Monday.

Mr. Edwin Riley is spending a few days at his home in Hanover, N. H.

Mr. Stanley Wheeler of South Paris was in town the first of the week.

Mr. L. U. Barlett and family are moving onto Mr. C. C. Bryant's farm.

Mrs. Murch of Mexico, Mo., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Whitney.

Mrs. S. I. French visited her son at Mechanic Falls a few days last week.

Mrs. Bolton of Cleveland is visiting her brother, Mr. William Dingham.

Winfield Howe has returned from a vacation in New Hampshire and Dover.

Miss Louise Lougee of Portland is assisting in the Citizen Office for a short time.

Mrs. Howard Coburn and daughter, Florence, are spending a few days in Hamford.

Mr. Perry Robertson of Portland spent a few days last week at Mr. Ziba Darkee's.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Farwell of Norway, Mass., called on friends in town one day last week.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. J. H. Burdette, Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Fred Taylor and Master Harold are spending the week with her husband in Hamford.

Miss Janet Merrill of Portland is spending a few weeks with her aunt, Miss Mary B. Merrill.

Miss Daisy Dixon and Miss Mae Jordan of Augusta spent the week end with Mrs. L. T. Barker.

Mr. Neal who has been clerking at the Mackinac House, Poland Spring, is now clerking at Bethel Inn.

Mrs. L. M. Valentine, who has been spending a month at her home in Massachusetts, Monday.

Miss Somerville returned Tuesday from the C. M. G. Hospital at Lewiston, very much improved in health.

Elmer Jordan visited in Mechanic Falls, Sunday, and went to Lewiston, Monday, to attend the State Fair.

Mr. Wallace Farwell of Lowell, Mass., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Farwell at Middle Intervale.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Mills of Bangor are guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Young the first of the week.

Miss Edith Hastings returned to Bangor, Wednesday, Monday, after spending the summer with her parents.

Mr. Daniel Fritze of Hopkinton, Mass., was the guest of his brother, Mr. Isaac Fritze, the first of the week.

Viola Bartlett has finished work at Maple Inn and gone to her home at Locke's Mills, where she will teach this Fall.

Miss Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Wight and son, Winfield, of Milan, N. H., were Sunday guests at Dr. I. H. Wight's.

Misses, returned to Boston, Tuesday, after spending the summer at Bethel.

Mrs. Mary Jane Brooks and children, from Bangor, N. H., were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Curtis, who are visiting her mother, Mrs. Hanson, and other relatives returned to her home, Saturday.

## Town School commences Sept. 8.

My line of School Supplies awaits your inspection.

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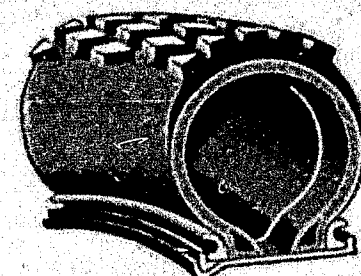
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**IRVING L. CARVER,**  
**BETHEL, MAINE.**

Mr. and Mrs. Gaten Abbott, Mrs. Mary Chandler of Denver, Colorado, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Hutchins.

Miss Eleanor Colby returned to her home in Lawrence, Mass., Monday, after spending several weeks with her aunt, Miss L. M. Stearns.

Rev. W. C. Curtis, Mr. E. C. Bowler and Mary Bowler attended the dedication services at the Finnish Church at West Paris last Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. W. Martin submitted to a critical surgical operation at the Portland Hospital last Thursday. Her condition is reported as favorable.

Mr. John E. Mills and Mrs. Ada M. Wilson, both of Albany, Me., were united in marriage at the Congregational parsonage, Wednesday evening, August 27.

Monday afternoon the W. C. T. U. held a meeting with Mrs. Curtis, Mrs. Isabel Shirley, of Brooklyn, N. Y., gave a parliamentary drill which was very interesting and helpful. Mrs. Shirley will conduct another drill at Mrs. Fannie Baber Lovejoy's, Tuesday afternoon, September 9, at 3 o'clock. All ladies are invited, especially members of the several clubs in our village who will find this drill of deep interest and help.

Percy Farnham has been taking a week's vacation at his home in Center Lovell and Harold Chandler has been his guest.

Dr. and Mrs. Gehring, Mr. Upton and Mr. Bingham took an auto trip to Woodstock Inn by the way of Bretton Woods, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Clark and family of West Medford, Mass., are spending a few weeks with Mr. Clark's mother, Mrs. A. M. Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Smith and daughter, Bessie, returned to their home in Augusta, Monday, after spending a few days at Mr. J. W. Martin's.

Evelyn Chandler who has been with her grandparents since the middle of June returned to her home in Norway, Monday.

The Union Religious Society of North Newry, Me., was organized at the North Newry church, Monday, September 1, and a full corps of officers was elected. The meeting was called to order and conducted by Mrs. Martha Cook, until the permanent moderator, Mr. A. E. Wight, was chosen. Among those present from out of town were Superintendent Charles Harbutt, of Portland, Hon. H. Hastings and Rev. W. C. Curtis, of Bethel.

I wish to respectfully invite the public to visit the store formerly occupied by R. E. L. Farwell and inspect the line of Groceries, Fruits, Canned Goods, Confectionery and Cigars which I shall carry. Also Soaps and Washing and Cleaning Compounds.

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Very Respectfully,

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## THE HOME

Pleasant Reveries  
Dedicated to Those  
as they Join  
Circle at Even

The great secret of life is to be ready when it comes.—Disraeli.

"Choose your friends well. Your friends will be your life."—Emerson.

Every good and noble deed is a triumph over the triumph of evil. The triumph of evil was over the good.—Emerson.

"There is no duty more than the duty of being happy. We sow seeds upon the world, unknown even to our own eyes, and they are disclosed, and we are the beneficiaries."—Emerson.

THE NERVES OF THE WOMAN

By MADAM

With the fresh, when it would seem most take courage and rest in life. I have tired, nervous women they are "wrecks."

What is the cause of this? It is the result of the nervous system being overworked, and the result of the nervous system being overworked, and the result of the nervous system being overworked.

These are just a few of the many things that are going on in the world of the nervous system. They are just a few of the many things that are going on in the world of the nervous system.

When a woman is going a little beyond her strength, she develops "nerves" and her life is not a life of joy. In fact she is a wreck.

Poor thing, what is the cause of this? It is the result of the nervous system being overworked, and the result of the nervous system being overworked, and the result of the nervous system being overworked.

It is so with the nerve of the woman. We all must have a nerve of our own, and it is the nerve of our own, and it is the nerve of our own.

A woman in her young years of her middle age does not guard well the nerve of her own, and it is the nerve of her own, and it is the nerve of her own.

She is showing nervous in her face and in her eyes, and it is the nerve of her own, and it is the nerve of her own.

Physicians say that the nerve of the woman is the nerve of the woman, and it is the nerve of the woman, and it is the nerve of the woman.

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## THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

The great secret of success in life is to be ready when opportunity comes.—Disraeli.

"Choose your friends wisely; test your friends well. True friends, like rarest gems, prove hard to tell."

Every good and commanding movement in the annals of the world is the triumph of enthusiasm. Nothing great was ever accomplished without it.—Emerson.

"There is no duty we undertake so much as the duty of being happy. By being happy we sow anonymous benefits upon the world, which remain unknown even to ourselves, or when they are disclosed, surprise nobody so much as the benefactor."

## THE NERVES OF THE TOO BUSY WOMAN.

By MADAME VINE.

Despite the fresh, brisk, fall air, when it would seem that everyone must take courage and renew their rest in life, I have seen several tired, nervous women lately, who say they are "overworked."

What is the cause? Fall housecleaning and adjusting; the school question to be settled for the children; fall clothes to buy, or make over, or go without; the beginning of more or less socially, for those who are so inclined, etc.

There are just a few things that pursue the busy woman at this time of year. Not to mention the eternal daily housekeeping, that must go on and on like the river. A man will be hungry every day and it never counts that he was very well fed yesterday. When a woman is too busy and going a little beyond her strength, she develops "nerves" and the "blues"; and life is not abounding with joyousness, in fact she is just one long yawn.

Poor thing, what is she going to do about it when these mountainous duties pile up higher every day and she must rush, rush, from one end of the week to the other?

She feels like a swimmer who has as his goal the opposite shore, but as he swims and grows more tired, with every stroke the shore recedes a little beyond his reach.

It is so with the accomplishment of the worn out woman's tasks. We all must solve our own problems of course; what is to be done is to be done, but I believe one remedy for "nerves" and the fall "blues" is a certain time of solitude set apart for every day, a systematic hour of solitude.

A woman in her youth must take care of her middle age, and if she does not guard well then, she is left behind in the race by her husband and children. She should be then at her most useful helpful period of life and interest. Most women of today are showing nervous, hard lines in their faces and are prone to a melanolic outlook upon the world before they reach fifty.

Physicians say that the numberless cases of skin disorders come from lack of rest and too much worry; there is nothing that plays such havoc with the freshness and beauty of a woman's skin as constant grinding and constant intense thinking.

A woman who will keep her clear, beautiful complexion should find time every day to forget there is anyone in the world to care for except herself. She should imagine for that time that she can do as she pleases with no one to interfere or say her way.

The restful cure is the only normal treatment for overworked nerves.

A man appreciates a clean comfortable home, but he also admires a cheerful, agreeable, good looking wife, with a smooth brow and a ready smile.

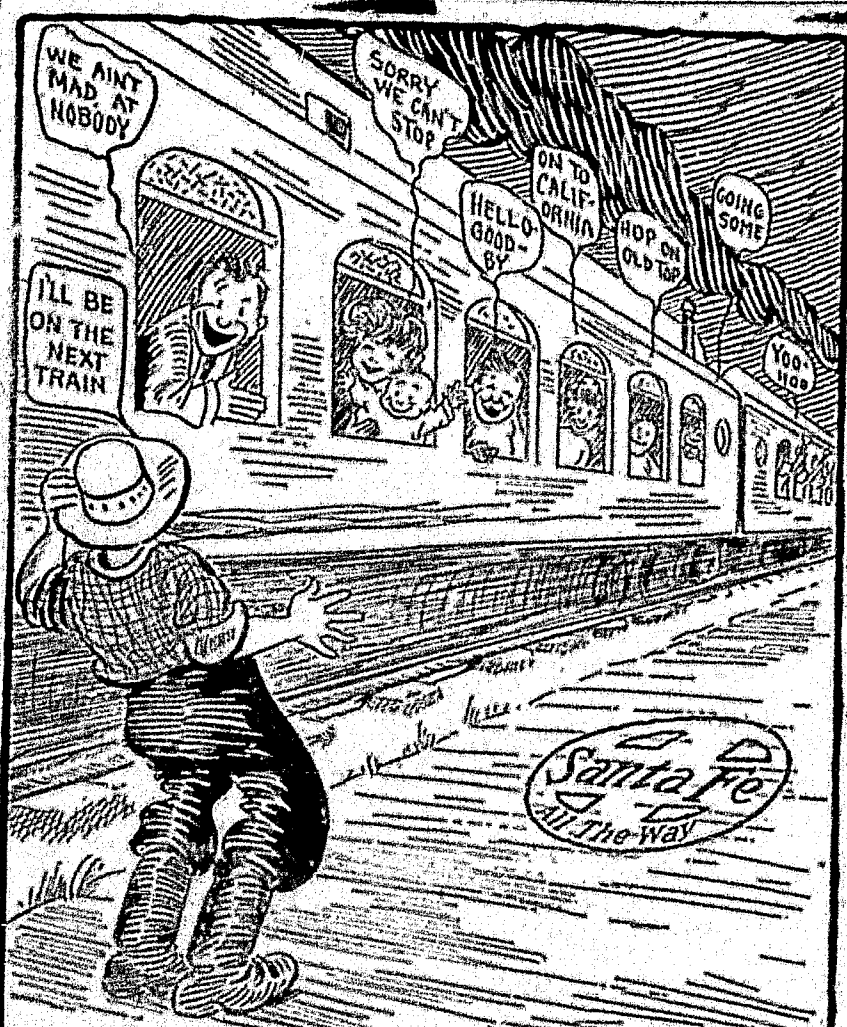
There is a danger mark for every woman late now that we can manage our affairs so as to pause this side of it.

Let's avoid the "too busy" club."

MAKING JELLY.

The general rule for making jelly calls for fruit boiled in just enough water to cover it until it is tender and then strained for several hours through a cheesecloth jelly bag. The strained jelly is made of the juice which simply drips through the bag.

It is good to put quite as much as the jelly made of the juice which is pressed through the bag. To each quart of juice a pint of sugar should be allowed. Put the juice in a saucepan over the fire and the sugar on top. Stir the mixture with a wooden spoon. Boil the juice for 15 minutes, then add the sugar, and as soon as it



## Join one of the Santa Fe's Fall Colonist Excursions California and Arizona—Sept. 25 to Oct. 10

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Write to C. L. Sawyer, Gen. Colonization Agent, 2301 Railway Exchange, Chicago, for Arizona and San Joaquin Valley. For details and "Pamphlet in the San Joaquin Valley."

## LOCKE'S MILLS.

Bethel and Margaret Herick of Bethel have been spending the week with their aunt, Mrs. E. P. Farrington.

Mrs. Mary H. Grant returned from Rumford Falls, Sunday, where she has been a guest at Lyle Lapham's.

John Briggs of Norway spent the week end at Elmer Fish's.

A. R. Bartlett was in Berlin, N. H., Saturday.

Annette Bennett of Oxford is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. Anna Libby.

Ed. Herick and family of Bethel were in town, Sunday.

Agnes Campbell spent Sunday with her parents at Mechanic Falls.

Mrs. and Mrs. E. B. Tabor are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a daughter, Gertrude Dorothy, August 23.

Blanche Bryant is visiting relatives at Norway.

Mrs. and Mrs. E. R. Bartlett attended the Bartlett reunion at East Bethel, Tuesday.

## SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

Several from here attended the grave meeting at Bryant's Pond.

Mrs. John Ellingwood and two sons of Arlington, Mass., spent the day Friday with Mrs. Tena Farrington.

Mrs. and Mrs. A. Davis, John Davis, Elsie Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Clark, Albert Clark, Kate and Maudie Clark, Bert Benson, Charlie Clark and John Lyall went by team to visit the ice caves at Greenwood, Friday. They all report a fine time.

Charles Lyden of Greenwood was a week end guest at George Davis'.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hart of Westbrook spent the week end with Mrs. Hart's brother, Pearl Farrington.

M. R. Andrews, Mrs. Martha Barrett and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Andrews went by auto to Berlin, N. H., Thursday.

## A DISAPPOINTMENT.

A little boy with his mother at a church wedding.

Mother: Look, Harold the bride's coming.

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## CANTON.

Clifton F. Swett of Portland has been a guest of relatives in Canton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Parsons are visiting in Haverhill, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Newman and son, Gerald, returned to their home in Auburn, Sunday.

Maynard House of North Turner has been a guest of his aunt, Mrs. G. F. Towle.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fletcher and children of Waterville have been guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Darrington, and family.

Miss H. Louise Ellis of Portland has been visiting relatives in town.

Earl DeFreney of Boston has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Richardson and family.

An excellent entertainment was the one given by the ladies of the Universalist Circle at the Opera House, Friday evening. The hall was well filled with an appreciative audience.

The laudable farce, The Splinter's Convention, was well presented, the parts all being well taken, and the costumes antique and ludicrous. At the meeting Professor Makeover and assistant appeared, and with his wonderful machine offered to change over the splinters into anything they might wish to be. Each lady entered the machine and came out transformed the way they wished. The first one was changed to a young lady, Miss Margarette Hollis, who sang a vocal solo; then came Eleanor Westgate with a piano solo; Indian maid, Helen Dingley, vocal solo; darky boy, Katherine Hollis, recitation; reader, Ethel Russell; organ grinder, George Lavorgna; little boy, Charlie Dymont, recitation; Two Little Girls in Blue, Misses Bernice Morrill and Ruth Bisbee; violin soloist, Mrs. Minnie Ingersoll Howes, with piano accompaniment by Miss Hollis; a man, J. Clyde Bicknell, vocal solo; vocal duet, Mrs. Gladys Russell and Mrs. Clyde Bicknell. All parts were well received. Holt's Orchestra of Livermore Falls furnished excellent music. A dance followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stone of Auburn are guests of friends at the Point.

Mrs. W. B. Gilbert has been visiting her sister, Mrs. L. W. Jack, of Woodford.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Smith are visiting their son in Lewiston.

Mary J. Richardson began teaching school in the Town Farm District, Hartford, Monday of this week.

The Universalist Circle was entertained in a pleasant manner Thursday by Mrs. M. A. Robinson and niece, Miss May Hatley, and Mrs. M. C. Winslow. A picnic supper was held on the lawn with ice cream and hot coffee served by the entertaining party.

Dr. F. W. Morse was at Portland, Friday.

Miss Etta Howland of Boston has been visiting Mrs. W. E. Dresser and Mrs. E. L. Fuller.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Jones of Bangor are guests at the home of Mrs. Joan Hayford and family.

Mr. and Mrs. George Barham have returned to their home in Mass. cheshire.

Calvin G. Lowell of Mechanic Falls has been a guest of his son, Harold G. Lowell, and family.

Mrs. Herbert Foster of Winchester, N. H., is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. A. S. Bicknell, and family.

Mrs. E. G. Goring and daughter, Mabel Goring, have arrived home.

The next meeting of the Universalist Circle will be held with Mrs. O. M. G. Goring.

Mrs. J. P. Swasey is on an outing at Peaks Island.

Miss Letitia Russell of Bath has been visiting her home in town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. York and Mrs. Kate Burke enjoyed an outing at Hingham, Sunday.

Charles White of Boston is a guest of B. T. White and wife.

The ladies of the Universalist Circle will serve hot coffee, sandwiches, etc., to the public at the coming Canton Fair.

Vinton Bridges of Mechanic Falls has been a guest at the home of W. E. Richardson and family.

The Lucky Friday Club held their annual fall day and picnic Saturday, at the home of Elton Bailey, where 125 were present, including many visitors. The day was enjoyed by all. One of the attractions was a ball game between the Canton and East Dixfield, which resulted in a score of 13 to 5, in favor of the Canton side.

Miss Thera Baynes of Detroit has been a guest of Mrs. A. A. Gilroy.

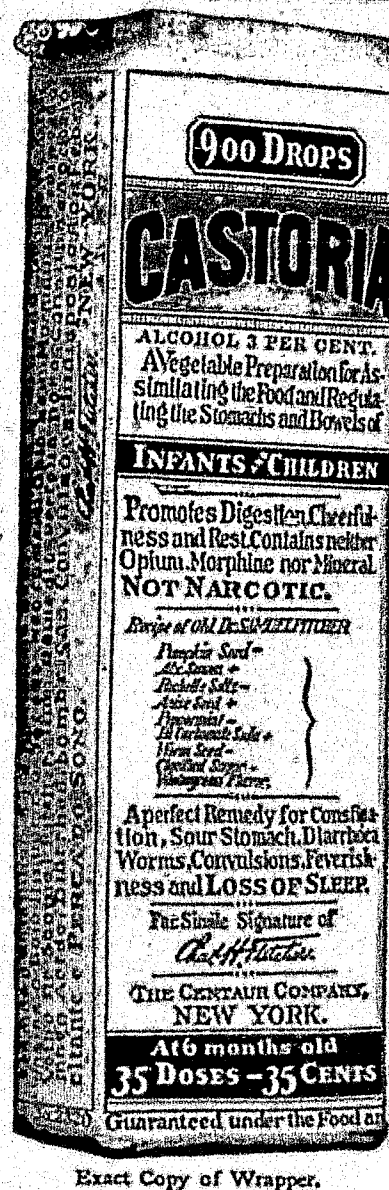
Mrs. Fred Gates of Haverhill, Mass., has been visiting her parents and sister.

Mrs. Charles Swett and children have been visiting in Somersworth, N. H.

Ernest Glover of Portland spent the week end with his family at Canton.

Miss Olive Woodman of Auburn has been a guest of Helen Bailey.

Two Misses Adams and Ida Russell



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Men's Russia Calf Oxfords Button and Blucher, Fitzu and Walk Over, \$4.00 grade for \$2.95.

Women's White Canvas Button \$2.50 grade for \$1.75, \$2.00 grade \$1.50, \$1.75 grade \$1.25.

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returned to Rockton, Mass., Monday.

John P. Swasey and daughter, Miss Swasey, are on a visit to relatives in Montreal.

Albert Foster who has been having his eyes treated by a specialist in Lewiston is much improved.

Mrs. Lucy Nason has been a guest of T. F. Oliban and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Witherell of Oakland were visitors of Frank Richardson the past week.

Mrs. George (Bills) and daughter have returned from Kingston to their home at the Point for a time. Miss Georgia will soon go to Lewiston to attend school.

Rev. H. E. Benton and family have returned to their home in Stamford, Conn.

A ball game was held on the school grounds, Friday, between the Married and Single men it was a seven inning game and resulted in a victory for the Married by a score of 3 to 2.

Charles Ellis of Kansas is a guest of relatives in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Turrell of Hingham have been guests of H. T. Turrell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson A. Potter of Woodford are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

F. Wilbur Briggs and wife have been guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Briggs, of Auburn.

Edward MacNicol and family returned to their home in Lynn, Mass., Saturday.

The anniversary ball was held at Canton Point, Thursday evening. George Grover is visiting in Watkinson and Norway, Mass.

John Johnson of Portland has been a guest of Mrs. Guy Barthby and family.

WILLING TO COMPROMISE.

"I want to marry your daughter," said the young man.

"Are you a doctor?" asked the father.

"Oh, yes; I have run an automobile for a year on about sixty dollars."

"That's very commendable this thing!"

"I'd like to hire you as my chauffeur."

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## SUNDAY RIVER.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gorman of Bethel spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gorman, of this place.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen Sweeney and children spent a few days visiting friends and relatives in Berlin the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Nordin and baby, Eva, called at J. J. Spence's, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Eames of Rockford, Vt., called on friends and relatives in this place, Sunday.

Fred Bailey of Bear River was in this place the first of the week.

Litchford and Bryant have purchased a new Rex automobile.

Emery and Abner Nowlin spent Sunday with their brother, J. A. Nowlin.

Mr. Fred Mandt of Grover, N. H., spent Saturday and Sunday at H. M. Kendall's.

J. L. Spinney who is working for Lawson Atwell spent Sunday at his home in Bethel.

Clarence Bennett was in this place Sunday with an auto party.

Mr. and Mrs. Ingalls have returned to Portland after spending their summer vacation in this place.

Miss Mildred Chapman spent Saturday and Sunday at T. D. Dean's.

Grammie Sargent spent last week visiting old friends and relatives in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of South Dixfield visited Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Foster the latter part of the week.

T. A. Baker of Bethel turning in howls last Thursday.

Mike Gill has a crew of men building a camp, getting ready to cut wood for Litchford and Bryant.

H. M. Kendall was doing work on the Town Farm buildings last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Powers went to Berlin by auto, Saturday.

NEWRY.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Powers are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Mrs. A. M. Bailey is caring for them.

First Bartlett visited Ralph Frost last Saturday night.







## RUMFORD.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Cowan are entertaining Miss Thelma Cowan of Hampden, Maine, for a few days. H. L. Elliott and wife attended the State Fair on Tuesday.

A large number attended the Oxford ball game which was held at Mingo Springs on Labor Day. The Oxford played with the Moosehocks and at the seventh inning the score was 6 to 3 in favor of the Oxford. The game had to be finished at this time as the Oxford had to catch the return train.

The tennis tournament was held at the tennis grounds on Monday and all of Rumford's players met and fought for the Whiting Cup which has been the prize for several years. For the past two years Mr. Harry Carroll has been the lucky winner, and if he had been successful this year the cup would have been his to keep, but Mr. Henry Q. Hawes was the victor of the day on Monday and retains the cup this year. Mr. and Mrs. Whiting gave the cup and stated that the player who was fortunate enough to win the tournament for three successive years should be considered the winner and have the trophy for his own. A good deal of interest has always been manifested in these tournaments and many good times enjoyed.

E. W. Howe left Tuesday for his ranch in Alberta, where he will remain until after the harvesting season.

Miss Louise Kidder spent Labor Day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kidder, of Hale.

Mrs. F. O. Walker is visiting friends in Portland for a few days this week. From now on the stores will be opened on Tuesday afternoons, as the summer season is practically at an end.

The Rumford schools will open for the fall term on Monday, September 8. Most of the rural schools began on August 25.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Stearns and Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Blanchard left Tuesday for an automobile trip to Sherbrooke, Quebec, where they will attend the Sherbrooke Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Sweetair are spending a two weeks' vacation at Worthley Pond.

Mr. Springer of Bethel occupied the Methodist Church pulpit on Sunday morning in the absence of Rev. W. T. Carter, who was attending campmeeting at Livermore.

William Allen, the owner of the spring water cart, met with quite an accident, Monday afternoon. While driving down the falls hill his horse became frightened at the blowing of an umbrella on his back and shied, thereby overturning the wagon. Mrs. Allen and her little son, Winslow, were with Mr. Allen on the cart and were thrown some little distance. The child was uninjured and Mr. Allen sustained but few bruises, but Mrs. Allen was quite severely bruised and is confined to the house as the result of the accident.

Dr. William Rowe is moving into the house formerly occupied by Mr. McLane on York street.

Mrs. Cole of Prospect avenue is visiting friends and relatives in Kalamazoo, Michigan, for a few weeks.

The Talking Pictures at the Chaney Opera House displayed three days last week were a great success and much enjoyed by those who attended.

Miss Martha Mixer is entertaining her friends, Miss (Chee) Wang, and her sister, two young Chinese girls students at Wellesley College.

Miss Blainde Sturtevant of Dixfield was the guest of the Misses Hazel and Ruth McGregor, Tuesday.

Miss Grace Swain of New York is spending the month with her father, H. E. Swain, at his home on Knox street.

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A Proviso.

"Would you marry him if you were me?"

"Well, if I were you, I might!"—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Hominy may be made at home by the use of either lye or soda. With the latter chemical a good recipe is to take a teaspoonful of the soda to a quart of shelled corn, with enough water added to boil the corn in. The boiling should continue until the hulls start, when the corn should be drained and washed thoroughly in several waters, rubbing with the hands to remove the hulls. When clean the corn should be boiled in a new water until quite tender, when it can be served as desired.

At the end of the third week of the second international egg laying contest, which is being conducted at the Storrs Agricultural College in Connecticut, two pens of English White Leghorns are leading the race with scores of twenty-four eggs for each pen of five hens.

An American pen of White Leghorns ranks third with twenty-one eggs, and a pen of White Orpingtons from Pennsylvania comes fourth with nineteen eggs. If the American fowls entered in this contest win at the finish they will have to do stiff sprinting on the back stretch.

A hardworking farmer's wife who is a reader of these notes and who was talking with the writer the other day about her poultry operations for the past year stated that she would have about \$275 to put in the bank as a result of her sales of poultry and eggs.

When asked how much the feed bill came to she said, "Not much," for the chickens picked up most of their bill of fare. It is likely that the bill of fare may have come to quite a bit more than our good friend thought, but even then there was a fine margin of profit in the season's poultry business.

A remarkably mild stretch of December weather, which started the hens to laying, coupled with onslaughts by housekeepers' leagues in a number of the larger cities of the country, gave the egg corner at last a pretty severe jolt. As a result of selling agencies, which were established and put in charge of indignant housewives, eggs were forced down by competition from 38 and 40 cents per dozen to 24 cents, and the plan worked so well that it seems to be spreading to other cities, while in the cities where the plan was first inaugurated it has occurred to the women that it would work just as well with fresh fruits and vegetables as with eggs.

It is well to remember that, while stable manure makes a good partial fertilizer for either plum or apple orchards, it is not desirable for peach orchards, as it is too strong in nitrogen, which tends to encourage wood growth rather than fruit. A commercial fertilizer is preferable, one containing two or three parts of fine bone to one part of muriate of potash.

If any of our readers have been feeding their hens quite largely a corn diet and have not been getting the eggs they expected they would do well to cut down the corn and substitute in place of it a good share of wheat or barley, with bran and tankage. A friend who tried this not long ago reported a decided increase in egg production as a result in the change in the bill of fare.

It is worth remembering by those situated in the more northerly portion of the country, where frozen water pipes are not uncommon during the winter months, that hot water poured on a frozen pipe will thaw it out much more quickly than will a blaze from a paper or kerosene torch. A good way to apply the water to the pipe is to wind it with a cloth and then pour on the hot water.

West Virginia apple growers are coming to state the fact that one of the worst enemies of their apple orchards because of its harboring the cedar rust. They have come to the conclusion that cedar trees that are located within a mile of apple orchards ought to be cut down. Any one who has seen the effect of the rust on certain varieties of apples appreciates the problem which the West Virginia horticulturists are trying to solve.

## ANDOVER.

Miss Mary Cushman, who has been spending her vacation with her parents, W. A. Cushman, and wife, returned to Smith's College, Monday.

Mrs. Beatrice Cox and daughter, who have been staying at F. S. Smith's, returned to their home in Port Chester, N. Y., Thursday of last week.

The Ladies' Aid met this week Wednesday with Mrs. Olive Dresser.

Walter Hoovier and wife of Brookline, Mass., have been spending a few days at Hotel Milton. Mr. Hoovier visited his camp at G. Pond last week.

Mrs. Clara Thing of Livermore Falls is the guest of O. A. Burgess and family.

Harry Poor returned Monday from Richardson Pond, where he has contracted to cut some lumber for the Thurston Brothers.

The Rumford Falls Band gave a concert at the common, Thursday afternoon.

About 60 guests took supper at Hotel Twitchell, Sunday night.

Robert Poor of Rumford was a guest at Henry L. Poor's, Sunday.

Cedric Thurston returned Tuesday from a visit with his uncle, Leslie Little, and family, at Rockland.

Ellen Poor of Rumford visited his brother, Winthrop Akers, and family, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Mills was the guest of Frank Newton and wife to tea Thursday night.

Horace Hanson is visiting friends in Rumford this week.

Y. A. Thurston sold a nice pair of horses to Holton Abbott recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pratt, Jr., visited Mr. and Mrs. Richard Talbot at Augusta, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gammons and children and their mother, Mrs. Gammons, and daughter, who have been spending a few weeks at John Talbot's returned to their homes in Rhode Island and New Bedford, Mass., Thursday of last week.

Miss Ellen Akers will take Helen Akers' place in Mrs. Rand's store.

Miss Akers will teach in Oxford this fall.

Mrs. Emma Darrah who has been dressmaking at Wint Akers' returned to her home in Rumford, Sunday.

Marshall Howard returned Saturday from the Central Maine General Hospital at Lewiston where he had an operation performed on his foot.

Mrs. B. L. Akers has been entertaining Mrs. Hand from Lisbon the past week.

Mrs. George Learned has been caring for Mrs. William Cutting.

Mrs. Henry A. Miller who has spent several weeks with friends in town will return to her home in Malden, Friday.

H. B. Thurston's teams of Bethel came to Andover, Monday night, on their way to Black Brook, where he has taken a lumber contract.

Mrs. Grace Moody and Mr. and Mrs. A. White of Rumford Corner were guests at Warren Marston's the first of the week.

A game of base ball was played on the Fair ground, Labor Day, between the Andover boys and the Rumford nine with a score of 7 to 0 in favor of Andover.

**SHE PUT THEM AWAY.**

"I told you I had been going a 'bout a jolly told her maid to put away all the refreshments that were left on the tables before retiring to bed. The next day, on looking, the maid could not find them, and called to her maid."

"Those, mom, and yes tell me to put 'em away, and I did, mom, and enjoyed 'em."

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### MOST BENEFICENT FLOWER.

Corn Tassel of Greatest Use to Human Race.

The flowers of the common corn have little claim to beauty of gorgeous colors such as win our admiration for most blossoms, but in their service to man they rank ahead of all the rest.

Different from most plants, the flower of the corn is in two parts, the one at the top, the tassel, and the other, the silk, about the middle of the stalk, growing out from between the stalk and one of the leaves. Before a single grain of corn can be produced it is necessary that a connection be established between these two parts of the flower. This process is the fertilization, which is brought about by the wind and the other agents which cause the pollen of the tassel to fall upon the ends of the thread-like silks.

All who have been in a cornfield have noticed the yellow dust that covers the ground, the plants, and is flying thick in the air. This is the pollen. It is said that on each tassel of the corn plant there are more than 20,000 grains of pollen, and each plant grows an ear of about 500 grains, each of which has its own separate silk. So we see that nature has provided for many mishaps, supplying 25,000 grains of pollen where it takes only one to do the work. But it is easily seen that with a speck of dust falling several feet there is only one chance in thousands that it will hit upon the tiny point of a silk.

By hushing an ear in silking time, it is seen that each grain has its own silk running the length of the ear and coming out one of the mass of silks at the small end. But how does the pollen get to the grain, having to travel the slender thread for perhaps a foot or more? Well, when the pollen falls on the sticky end of the silk it is carried and sends out a root-like tube to penetrate the whole length of the silk. Scientists tell us that this pollen tube feeds upon the tissue of the silk as it advances, and thus gets strength to proceed till it reaches the undeveloped grain, and the growth into the full plump grain which is in imperfection the farmer's gem, is made possible.

### DON'T LET BABY SUFFER WITH ECZEMA AND SKIN ERUPTIONS

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### SELECTING FRUIT FOR FAIR PURPOSES.

The man who is intending to exhibit horticultural products at one or more fairs this Fall should now be preparing his specimens for this purpose. No matter what kind of fruit or garden vegetables one is working with, it can usually be made just a little better than the average run of the crop, if slight attention is given to the same.

This attention may consist of a few extra cultivations, more careful thinning away of crowding specimens, stacking up, partial shade, or pinching back twigs or pinching off leaves to enable more light, etc. Many details which make the specimens more perfect will readily suggest themselves to one preparing specimens. While each individual judge at our various fairs has his own methods in scoring fruit, yet most of them are expected to work under rules which are more or less in common use and considered standard. The following is a typical form of score-card for apples and pears:

Apples and Pears Points  
Form ..... 15  
Size ..... 10  
Color ..... 20  
Uniformity ..... 20  
Quality ..... 15  
Freedom from blemishes ..... 20

This will serve as a guide for individual specimen exhibits and the individual plate exhibit. For box displays, the following points should be taken into consideration in addition to those already mentioned:

1. Form—Specimen should be smooth, regular and normal for the variety.  
2. Size—Specimen should be of the average size (not abnormal, that is, over or undergrown) for the variety or locality of district.  
3. Color—Should be distinct and show all natural characteristics of the variety in district represented.  
4. Uniformity—Judges usually consider uniformity of the exhibit a very strong habit. A glance at the value of this character shows that it varies a weight of 20 points. The judge takes into consideration, size, form and color in determining the uniformity of a specimen.

5. Freedom from blemish—No imperfections are allowed, such as disease, spots, bruises, worm holes, marks of handling, shriveling, or any other thing which will cause a blemish.  
6. Quality—This includes flavor and texture of flesh. In preparing fruit for exhibit purveyors remember that your exhibit must come in competition with others of the same kind and you cannot tell what the other man's exhibit is going to score until passed upon by a competent judge; hence the necessity of getting to gether the best specimens that can be secured.—W. H. Wickes in Gleaner.

To apologize  
To begin over  
To be unselfish  
To take advice  
To admit error  
To face a sneer  
To be charitable  
To keep on trying  
To be considerate  
To avoid mistakes  
To endure success  
To keep out of the rut  
To profit by mistakes  
To think and then act  
To forgive and forget  
To make the best of little  
To subdue an unruly temper  
To maintain a high standard  
To shoulder a deserved blame  
To recognize the silver lining  
BUT IT ALWAYS PAYS.

### "DIXFIELD"

Mrs. Fred Smith is in Carthage caring for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Victor Staples.  
Mrs. I. H. Neal's condition is slightly improved.  
Edgar Holman and family will leave Monday for Oakland to locate permanently. Mr. Holman will enter the employ of Maurice Forster, for several years a large manufacturer of tooth-picks in this place.  
Mr. Forster has recently located in Oakland, moving his machinery from his plant in this place.  
Miss Mary Brackett and Miss Henrietta Thompson, stenographers, will also go to Oakland in Mr. Forster's employ.  
Mrs. Maria Strahler, Dixfield, is visiting here.  
Maudie White and wife entertained a goodly number of the members of Mt. Sugar Loaf Orange at their place at home, Field Day and Children's day, Sunday, Sept. 1st.  
Heath, lecturer, presented a good program. Ice cream and a picnic dinner were enjoyed.



POULTRY NOTES  
BY C. M. BARNITZ  
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### OAT SPROUTS FINE WINTER GREENS.

In winter, when all is so cold and white and there is nothing green in sight, a block of sprouted oats looks good enough for humans to eat. Biddy certainly gobbles it greedily. It has become a standard green food for winter, not so much for its food value, but for its stimulative effect on the digestive organs—for variety, for a substitute for summer greens, to make the crop spongy, to mix with the rich con-

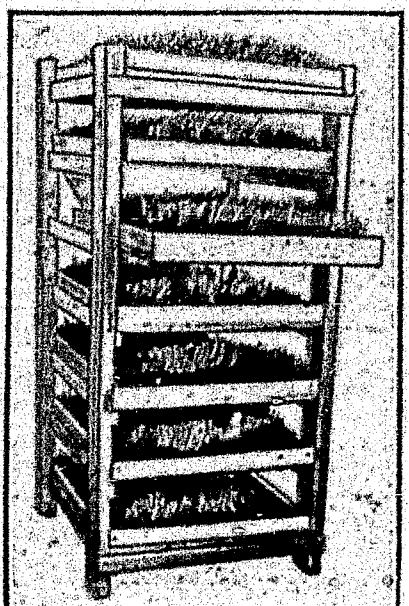


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### BACK FOR SPROUTING OATS.

concentrated grain ration so that the hen may not get overfat and indigestion. The fancier who does not feed succulent greens as well as good grains need not expect many eggs in winter, for it's the good green stuff that helps to bring the big bunch of eggs in spring and summer, and it is just as essential for winter laying.  
Sprouting cabinets with heating apparatus are now on the market. A rack like the picture or any old box with narrow rim will do.  
Simply soak clean, sound oats in warm water for a day and then spread in trays about two inches deep and keep in temperature of 60 to 70 degrees or warmer.  
Many sprout the oats beside the cellar furnace.  
The oats must be kept thoroughly wet and for the first two days should be stirred so that every grain gets moisture.  
It is fed when four to five inches long, new oats being set to sprout right

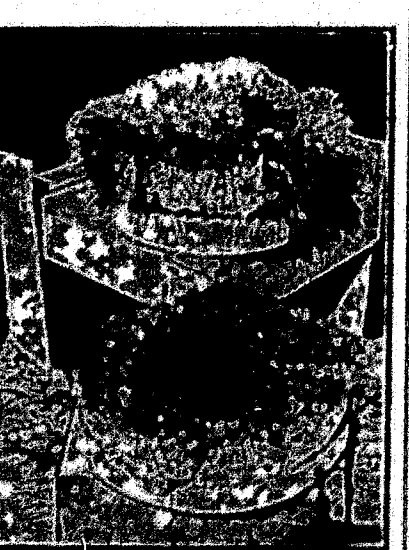


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### SPROUTING OATS.

along, to take the place of that fed, a square foot of the seed being broken up for twelve hens per day.  
In this process oats sometimes mold and are then unfit for food.  
To prevent, the oats should be sterilized before soaking.  
To sterilize, say, fifteen bushels of oats mix a half pint of formalin with fifteen gallons of water.  
Spread the oats, thoroughly wet with solution, and cover for half day, so that grains be thoroughly disinfected; then dry the oats, bag and sprout as needed.  
When sprouts are too long they are tough and indigestible.  
As hens are greedy for this food it must not be fed strong at first, especially where greens have not been fed regularly, as they are apt to overeat and get hard crops.  
Don't use all the adjectives in the English vocabulary to sell a fifty cent hen. A buyer knows a liar.  
Don't take pulled eggs to market. People judge you by the goods you sell.  
Don't scold the head and legs of poultry. They discolor and spoil the appearance of a pretty carcass.

### ALL BLANKETY BLANK.

It is December. The new year is quickly drawing nigh. And Mr. Blank sits by his desk just making his pen fly.  
Why does he write so furiously? Does he fear dissolution? Why, no—ahem!—he's getting up his New Year's resolution.

There, Mrs. Blank is writing too! She just has written down, "I promise not to scold you, dear, Nor all the twelve months' trown."

Yes, it is lovely, and we hope Both to their vows keep true; That they may be sweet, loving doves And ever bill and coo.

It's evening, January first. The ladies are both bursted. She started in to henpeck him. Now both are mad, disgusted.

Oh, no; don't say, "What silly fool!" My, no, don't say, "It's rank!" Remember from the first to last The whole blame lying was Blank.

C. M. BARNITZ.

### MR. FARMER, GET WISE, ADVERTISING.

Seventy-five per cent of the advertisers in the London (O.) Democrat are farmers.  
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The prosperous merchant smiles when some fellow with cobwebs on his corollum asks, "Does advertising pay?" With him it's the sine qua non.

Men who fall in business are often blamed for lack of business capacity when it is simply lack of advertising sagacity.

The farmer who advertises in a good medium and backs his ad. with a square deal has a clutch.

People do not buy calico, shoes, stoves and paint every day, but every day they must have eats.

The farmer feeds the nation. The people depend on him for bread, and there are always empty stomachs and empty pantry shelves for him to fill.

With such continuous demand for his product why should the farmer travel in that same old rut to market or trade his products at the cross-roads store or get gold bricked by the city middleman when an advertisement will bring him into quick communication with his customer, build up a bon ton private trade, give him higher prices and save him so much time, wear and tear?

The modern newspaper is a business miracle worker, and it not only works wonders for the town merchant, but for the farmer as well.

### FEATHERS AND EGGSHELLS.

A two-year-old White Rock hen in the Missouri egg contest laid eighty-two eggs in eighty-two consecutive days and up to date of report with her 170 eggs was ahead of the whole bunch which contained many pullets. It has been demonstrated that hens vary in the time of their top notch performance, some doing the trick in their pullet year and others waiting to that period when Dr. Celer would give it to everybody in the neck.

One thing the egg laying contests demonstrate—viz, that members of the same breed differ in laying capacity. At one place a breed leads, and at another competition the same breed is the tailender. Thus it does not depend on the breed name, but the strain of that breed, for a good record.

Professor Lippincott of the Kansas experiment station has been conducting egg candling schools throughout the state for the instruction of all persons dealing in eggs. By the old plan the wholesaler only candied eggs and the customer eventually paid for the rot. All the states should give this instruction.

Some hotels refuse to buy ducks unless guaranteed not to have been fed on fish. How different from the day when the piddle duck was in vogue! It lived on mullets, tadpoles, frogs and water skippers and was considered an epicurean perfect.

There is a marked difference in the appearance and flavor of eggs preserved with lime and water glass. The water glass eggs are almost like new, and then it is so much easier and more pleasant for the operator than the old, disagreeable, dusky lime method.

The old hens and pullets should be penned separately. The pullets should be fed liberally, as they have not attained full growth, but a lavish ration for old hens means overfat, few eggs and disease.

Five thousand dollars was voted at the American Poultry association meeting at Nashville for the publication of a "Utility Standard." If this book is prepared by practical poultrymen and sold at a reasonable price it will have an immense sale.

The Jewish holiday trade makes a big cut into the duck population, but some farmers will hold on to ducks with the same idea that there is more in them at Thanksgiving. They thus must expend two months' more labor and feed, often must sell for loss and do not get the duck yards into the ice season.

Henry Richardson, a negro of Rome, Ga., confessed to stealing 1,000 chickens in three months and making over \$100 per month through their sale. Fifty chickens was often a night's haul.

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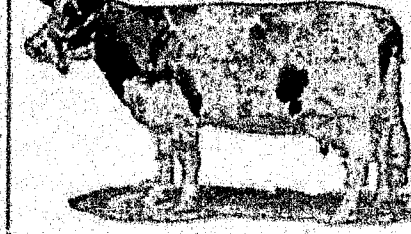
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## CROSSBREEDING WEAKENS HEREDITY

All truly intelligent writers on the breeding of dairy cattle advise the farmer, when he has once selected a registered bull of any of the dairy breeds, to stay right in line in all future purchases of bulls, says Hoard's Dairyman. But this does not satisfy the farmer. He has an idea that, if one cross of pure blood with his mongrel cows makes a marked improvement, why will not further crossing knit into one animal all the valuable traits possessed in each breed? For instance, he crosses his mongrel cows with a pure bred Jersey bull. He notes a great increase of richness in the milk of the resulting heifers over that of the dam. Then he wants more quantity, and he breeds that heifer to a Holstein and gets a heifer. Then he wants the golden color in the milk of the Guernsey, and he breeds this last heifer to a pure bred Guernsey bull.

There are a host of farmers who think that is the right way of breeding. They are looking only on the sur-



The Holsteins continue to roll up great milk and butter records. No sooner is the record broken by one animal than another comes forward with a still larger yield. The latest is Aralia De Kol, the first cow in the world to produce 25,000 pounds of milk in a year. Her record is 2,000 pounds of milk that made 1,122 pounds of butter. One year after calving she produced 60.4 pounds of milk in seven days. She is owned by A. W. Morris & Sons, Woodland, Cal.

face of the problem. Internally they have set up in all the crossbreeding first one a war of the breeds, a conflict of propensities, thus weakening the heredity in a straight line. Constant outcrossing, as is well known among breeders, will finally destroy the line of descent, and all we get is a hodge-podge of traits and tendencies, with almost universally a decline in the milk producing power.

One cross, say, with a Holstein bull and a mongrel cow brings a heifer with 50 per cent of each. If that heifer is bred to a pure bred Holstein the progeny is 75 per cent Holstein. Bred that progeny to a Holstein straight in line and we have a calf 87 1/2 per cent Holstein. We have been steadily "eliminating the hybrid." But it should be remembered that the producing capacity of each generation will depend greatly on the dairy propensity of the sire in each case. Bred in this way, there is a constant increase of Holstein heredity in the resulting heifers of each generation, all of which will be enhanced and enriched if special care is taken to select only first class bulls for every generation.

The principles that govern are as old as life itself, but they are very dimly seen by too large a proportion of the farmers who produce the cattle of the country.

### Danger of Inbreeding.

In buying breeding hogs, especially herd boars that are to go in the pure bred herd, great care should be taken in the inspection of the pedigree, says the Kansas Farmer. There is just as much danger to the future of the herd in too close breeding as there is in having too wide an outcross. Some of the best breeds of hogs which we now know have been produced and their characteristics fixed by in and inbreeding, but after these characters are once fixed too close breeding is to be avoided. Inbreeding is a matter to be handled only by experts. It is very like a redhot poker in that a man may get both of the wrong end of it. While it is a powerful agent for the fixing of type and in the establishment of new breeds or of families within the older breeds, it is not to be handled carelessly or ignorantly.

### Milk Fever.

A bulletin from the Kentucky experiment station on milk fever advances the theory that the disease is due to the toxin elaborated in the udder preceding normal milk production. The success of the modern air treatment is due to preventing by means of pressure the absorption of this toxin. Through the extreme dilation of the udder the blood supplying the mammary gland is greatly diminished until the milk gland has the opportunity to resume its ordinary activity. There seems to be present in the colostrum of the cow suffering with milk fever some substance toxic to calves.

### The Useful Sheep.

There is no animal on the farm that is more capable of adaptation to different methods of treatment and adapting himself to different environments than is the sheep. It can be bred into almost anything of the sheep kind. Long, coarse wool or short, fine wool, horns or no horns, black or white, a big carcass or a small one.

There are many other varieties of sheep that have been produced, and all are money makers when properly handled by the right man.

## GOOD QUALITIES OF DAIRY BREDS

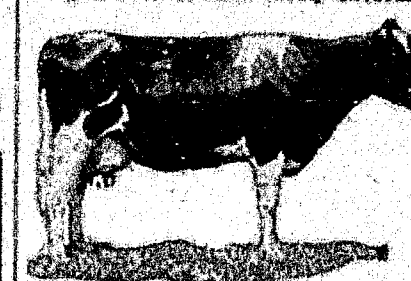
Answering a subscriber who asks, "Can't you tell me which is the most profitable breed of dairy cows?" Hoard's Dairyman says:

No; for the reason that there are so many men in all the breeds that are making their cows highly profitable it is impossible for us to make a choice for this or any other man but ourselves, and when we come to look into our own choice we find it is very largely a matter of taste.

With cows as with other domestic animals, they always do the best with those men who have a fondness or liking for them. Indeed, we may say this is more true with cows than any other animal, because the cow is a female and a mother and as such is particularly susceptible to her own likes and dislikes. There are a lot of cow owners who are blind to this principle when it plays a very important part with their profit.

Every breed of cows has its distinctive line of qualities. The Jersey is a wonderfully economic consumer and close manufacturer of food into milk solids. So is the Guernsey. Both yield milk rich in butter fat, and both are highly profitable provided they are good cows and you do your part.

The Ayrshire is a very hardy, robust breed and another highly economic consumer of feed and of medium weight, but her milk rarely exceeds 4



Carolina Pontiac, a registered Holstein cow, produced 2123 pounds of milk containing 78 pounds of fat in one year under official test. This is equivalent to 27 pounds of butter. This cow was bred, raised and owned by the University of Missouri and is a granddaughter of the well known Hengerveld De Kol. She is the ninth cow in this herd to make a butter record in excess of 70 pounds and the third to pass the 500 pound mark.

per cent in butter fat. As a basis for crossing with pure bred Guernsey or Jersey sires there is no foundation that is flatter than the Ayrshire grade cow. Some great business herds have been produced in this way. There seems to be a natural "nick" between the Ayrshire grade female and the pure bred Guernsey or Jersey male, whereby heifers are produced that show great capacity for profitable dairy work.

The Holstein is a gross feeder and a wonderful producer. On a farm where there is an abundance of good roughage, well backed up with a generous grain ration, she can and has beaten all other breeds in gross production. Whether this has been done economically is disputed by the partisans of other breeds.

The Brown Swiss is just coming into notice. She has been bred and her body fashioned to meet the stress of severe mountain climbing for many years. Consequently she has not yet acquired that refinement of form that all breeds come to at last in this land of gentle exercise and abundant feed. But she has talent as a milk and milk solid producer, and the records this breed is making under American conditions all challenge attention.

Now, there we are. Reduced to its final analysis, the question like that of politics or religion or love is a matter very largely of personal partisanship, and we come back to the place of beginning. But it is generally wise for every man to select such breed as he likes best, that appeals most to his taste, for under that influence he will accord that treatment that will cause his cattle to do their best.

### Hog Traughs.

The question is often asked, "What is the best style of hog trough?" writes O. P. Williams in the National Stockman. We use troughs made of lock oak boards. Bottom boards are eight inches wide, with edges slightly beveled so as to make the width at top about ten inches. The sides should be of six inch boards nailed to the beveled edge of the bottom board. End boards should be two inches longer at each side than the width of the trough to prevent splitting when nailed on. Thirty inch lengths for single hogs, three feet for two or three hogs and twelve feet for general use make good standard lengths.

Wider bottoms are likely to warp and split. Shallower troughs waste feed. Deeper troughs invite the hogs to put their feet into the trough while drinking. No slats should be used, as they prevent easy cleaning.

### Indigestion of Horses.

Horses frequently suffer from indigestion caused by imperfect assimilation. Have the teeth attended to by a veterinarian. Give the drinking water before feeding; do not feed any bulky feed at noon or work the horse soon after a meal. Allow free access to rock salt. Red with sawdust or planing mill shavings if he eats his bedding. Feed whole oats and especially part of wheat bran, wetted at feeding time. Allow one pound of this mixture for each 100 of live weight and give a like amount of material or timothy or prairie hay. Paris Journal.



